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Docket No.: CIT/K-085A

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re Application of :  
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Hyun Mun KIM, Jong Beom RA, :  
Sung Deuk KIM and Young Su LEE :  
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Serial No. 09/506,728 : Group Art Unit: 2724  
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Filed: February 18, 2000 : Examiner: Unassigned  
  
For: METHOD OF REDUCING A BLOCKING ARTIFACT WHEN  
CODING MOVING PICTURE

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to initial examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 14-20 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please amend claims 1-8, 10 and 12-13 as follows:

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1. (Amended) A method of reducing a blocking artifact appearing when  
coding a moving picture [using a plurality of blocks], comprising the steps of:  
[selecting a plurality of pixels positioned around a block boundary;  
obtaining frequency information for each of the plurality of pixels;

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